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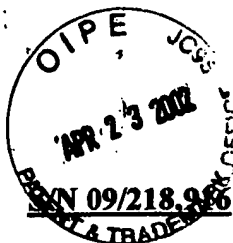
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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In response to the final Office Action mailed January 15, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

No claims have been amended in the response. The pending claims are reproduced here for the convenience of the Examiner.

1. (Previously Twice Amended)   An event notification system, comprising:

a computer having a CPU and memory and which executes an operating system operative to manage computer programs and wherein said computer programs generate events, the computer further having a bus coupled to the CPU;

a notification controller connected to the bus and operative to detect the generated events;

a notification transceiver communicatively connected to the notification controller and capable of transmitting a message containing data on the event; and

a portable transceiver including a notifier for receiving said message.

2.   The system of claim 1 wherein the notifier is an LED.

3.   The system of claim 1 wherein the notifier is an LCD panel operative to display a text based message.